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TO: LORD

FROM: HOOD

04 APRIL 1973

THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE WAS PICKED UP FROM OUR CUSTOMER AT 1200 HOURS APRIL 4, 1973

APRIL 4, 1973

THE U.S. SIDE INFORMED THE CHINESE SIDE ON MARCH 17, 1973 THAT IT COULD AGREE ~~NOT TO FIX A DATE FOR THE RESUMPTION OF UNCORK~~ IF THERE WAS A FIRM UNDERSTANDING THAT THE ITEM WOULD BE DROPPED FROM THE U.N. AGENDA. THE CHINESE SIDE CANNOT BUT FEEL SURPRISED AT THIS. THE U.S. SIDE SHOULD BE ABLE TO RECALL THAT DR. KISSINGER PROMISED LAST YEAR TO DISSOLVE UNCORK WITHIN THIS YEAR; DURING HIS FEBRUARY VISIT THIS YEAR, HE FURTHER STATED EXPLICITLY THAT THE U.S. SIDE WOULD GET IT ABOLISHED IN THE LATTER PART OF THIS YEAR. THE U.S. SIDE HAS STATED THAT IN THEIR MUTUAL CONTACTS, THE WORDS OF THE CHINESE AND U.S. SIDES BOTH COUNT. THE PRESENT U.S. POSITION IS EVIDENTLY INCONSISTENT WITH THIS AND A CLARIFICATION FROM THE U.S. SIDE IS EXPECTED.

*to adjourn
UNCORK
without a
fixed date*

AT THE SAME TIME, IT IS NOTEWORTHY THAT A SPOKESMAN OF THE U.N. COMMAND ANNOUNCED ON MARCH 31 THAT THE UNITED STATES AND SOUTH KOREA WOULD HOLD ANOTHER JOINT MILITARY EXERCISE EARLY IN APRIL IN SOUTH KOREA AFTER A LAPSE OF THREE YEARS. THIS ACTION CAN ONLY COMPLICATE THE SITUATION ON THE KOREAN PENINSULA AND ADD NEW DIFFICULTIES FOR THE DIALOGUE BETWEEN THE TWO KOREAN SIDES.

IT IS HOPED THAT THE U.S. SIDE WILL RECONSIDER ITS POSITION.
END OF MESSAGE.

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